

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1/ A signaling device for a motor vehicle, the signaling device being constituted by a skin of translucent material presenting an outside face to be seen from
5 outside the vehicle when said device is mounted on the vehicle, and an inside face opposite from the outside face, the translucent skin including at least one rib projecting from its inside face, the rib being made integrally with the skin and out of the same translucent
10 material as the skin, wherein the thickness of the rib is greater than the thickness of the translucent skin.

2/ A device according to claim 1, in which the rib is shaped to reflect light rays penetrating the rib through
15 one of its faces so that they travel towards the outside face of the skin.

3/ A device according to claim 2, in which the rib includes a face opposite from the skin that is divided
20 into facets in a staircase configuration so as to cause light rays penetrating into the rib to be reflected towards the outside face.

4/ A device according to claim 1, arranged to be mounted
25 on a bodywork part.

5/ A device according to claim 4, in which the translucent skin is convex over the rib, being formed with two curved flanks that run substantially into a
30 plane containing the face of the rib that is opposite from the skin.

6/ A device according to claim 1, including means for fixing light sources to the rib.

7/ A device according to claim 1, in which the rib has fixing means for co-operating with complementary means carried by a bodywork part of the vehicle.

5 8/ A motor vehicle bodywork part, wherein its outside surface includes a housing for receiving a signaling device according to claim 1.

9/ A bodywork part according to claim 8, in which the
10 housing is recessed and presents thickness substantially equal to the thickness of the edges of the translucent skin, the outline of said housing being dimensioned in such a manner as to contain the skin exactly so that its edges lie flush with the bodywork part at the periphery
15 of the housing.